Public Law 99-229
99th Congress

An Act

To authorize the Architect of the Capitol and the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Chief Justice of the United States, to study alternatives for construction of a building adjacent to Union Station in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

Dec. 28, 1985
[S. 1706]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. STUDY OF CONSTRUCTION OF OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) REQUIREMENT FOR JOINT STUDY.—The Architect of the Capitol and the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Chief Justice of the United States, shall jointly study alternatives for the construction on squares 721 and 722, bounded by F Street, 2nd Street, Massachusetts Avenue, and Columbia Plaza, Northeast, in the District of Columbia, of a building or buildings to meet the current and future needs of the administrative office of the United States Courts, the Federal Judicial Center, and other judicial functions and such other commercial, governmental, cultural, educational, and recreational activities which the Architect and the Secretary determine may appropriately be located in such building or buildings. Such building or buildings shall complement the areas surrounding such squares and fulfill the goals of mixed use in the Public Buildings Cooperative Use Act of 1976.

Public buildings and grounds.

(b) ELEMENTS OF STUDY.—The study under subsection (a) shall include—

40 USC 601 note.

(1) a study of alternative sizes and designs for such building or buildings and the estimated cost of each such alternative necessary to meet the current and future needs referred to in subsection (a);

(2) an analysis of other commercial, governmental, cultural, educational, and recreational activities which may appropriately be located in such building or buildings;

(3) an analysis of methods of providing security, utility, fire, and other related services for such building or buildings and allocating the cost of providing such services among the occupants of such building or buildings;

(4) an analysis of methods for financing and constructing such building or buildings in the most feasible and economical manner; and

(5) an analysis of methods of financing the construction of such building or buildings, including methods to minimize or eliminate initial capital investment by the United States through the use of public-private partnerships or nongovernmental sources of financing such construction.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than August 15, 1986, the Architect of the Capitol and the Secretary of Transportation shall submit to Congress a report on the results of the study conducted under subsection (a), together with recommendations concerning the size and design

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of such building or buildings and methods of financing the construction of such building or buildings.

(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATION.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Architect of the Capitol $2,000,000 for fiscal year 1986 to carry out this Act. From funds appropriated to carry out this Act, the Architect shall make available to the Secretary of Transportation such amounts as may be necessary for the Secretary to carry out the Secretary's functions under this Act. Funds appropriated to carry out this Act shall remain available until expended.

Approved December 28, 1985.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY—S. 1706 (H.R. 2416):

HOUSE REPORT No. 99-119 accompanying H.R. 2416 (Comm. on Public Works and Transportation).
SENATE REPORT No. 99-158 (Comm. on Environment and Public Works).
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Oct. 29, considered and passed Senate.
Dec. 10, H.R. 2416 considered and passed House; S. 1706, amended, passed in lieu.
Dec. 19, Senate concurred in House amendments.

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